Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Allen D. Aden was hired as a police officer for the city of Aberdeen to "walk the beat" on January 1, 1972, beginning his lifelong career in law enforcement; and,

Whereas, Allen was promoted to Sergeant in February 1978, and became the first juvenile officer for the city of Aberdeen, later advancing to Detective/Lieutenant in November 1979; and,

Whereas, Allen, due to his commitment to excellence, loyalty, and dedication to duty, was promoted to the position of Assistant Chief in May 1985, for the city of Aberdeen, and through his outstanding leadership ability attained the position of Chief of Police in May 1986; and,

Whereas, Allen retired from his position as Chief of Police with the Aberdeen Police Department in April 1999, and was hired as Chief of Police for the city of Pierre on June 7, 1999; and,

Whereas, Allen was promoted to Director of Public Safety for the city of Pierre in April 2005; and,

Whereas, Director Allen D. Aden has served the city of Pierre for 9 years with distinction and dedication, and will retire from duty on May 15, 2008, after more than 36 years of faithful and dedicated public service to the citizens of the state of South Dakota; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to make special note of this outstanding South Dakotan; and to honor and congratulate him as he officially retires:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim May 15, 2008, as

ALLEN ADEN DAY

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Thirteenth Day of May in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eight.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State